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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following document(s):

- Preliminary Amendment – 57 pages
- Sequence Listing, paper copy – 99 pages, and computer readable form
- Statement Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.821(f) and 37 CFR 1.825 (a) and (b) – 1 page
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Communication mailed on July 1, 2002.

Please amend the application as follows. Applicants have attached hereto pages containing amended specification paragraphs with amendments indicated by bracketing (for deletions) and curved bracketing { } (for insertions). 37 CFR 1.121 (b)iii requires the use of underlining or brackets or any equivalent marking system to be used to indicate additions and deletions. Because of the extensive use of underlining in the application as filed, the use of underlining has been omitted and additions are indicated by the use of curved brackets { } throughout.

Applicants have also provided a corrected sequence listing and request that it be entered into the application. An identical computer-readable copy of the sequence listing is also provided.

In the Specification

Please amend the Specification, by substituting the following paragraphs for the paragraphs in the specification, as follows: